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For: SYSTEMS, METHODS, DEVICES AND
DEVICE KITS FOR FIXATION OF BONES
AND SPINAL VERTEBRAE (AS-AMENDED)

Examiner: David C. Comstock

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to and including November 16, 2009 to respond to the Office Action mailed May 14, 2009.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 04-1105 in the amount of \$825.00 (small entity) covering the fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) and 41.20(b)(1). The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105, under Order No. 49386(305538).

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Respectfully submitted,

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